

News Advisory

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Utah Cancer Survivors to Attend Unique, Free Conference

Utah Cancer Action Network (UCAN) Hosts 2nd Annual Event

What: One-day conference and community event to help cancer survivors and

families.

Why: Cancer survivors of all ages need help facing the physical, emotional and

financial challenges that come with the disease. Conference attendees will get expert help navigating the health care and insurance systems, and will be able

to share experiences with fellow survivors.

Conference attendees will receive free Spanish translation and child care

services during the conference.

Who:

• Keynote speaker Scott Burton, a comedian, author and osteosarcoma survivor

Sandy City Mayor Tom Dolan

Salt Lake County Mayor Peter Corroon

• Physicians, social workers and health insurance experts

• Panel discussion with cancer survivors

When: Saturday, August 23, 2008

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m

Where: Salt Lake Community College, Larry H. Miller Campus

9750 South 300 West, Sandy, Utah

Media Note: The following cancer survivors will be available for interviews at the event from 12:45 to 2:00 p.m.

David Koehler, Prostate cancer

MaryAnn Gerber, Skin cancer

Keynote speaker Scott Burton will be available for interviews by phone Friday, August 22, and in person Saturday, August 23 at 8:00 a.m. and again from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Scott is a stand-up comic, juggler and author of "A Life in Balance." Burton has worked with Jay Leno, toured with Louie Anderson and sold a script to prime time television. Having battled cancer, he presents his own powerful and inspiring story about learning to laugh and love life before, during and after cancer.